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(Above) RON GOULET of Feeding Hills, says his fond farewells to Rev. Paul Burns of Sacred Heart Church and Mary Ellen Rivers, also of Feeding Hills, chats about some old times with Father Burns. Hundreds of friends and members of the Parish turned out to see Fr. Burns.

PHOTOS BY JACK DEVINE

Assistant Supt. Vacancy Posted

By Joanne Brown

The School Committee decided Tuesday evening to post the position of Assistant Superintendent of Schools recently vacated by the promotion of James V. Bruno, Jr. to Superintendent. The vacancy will be posted both within the Agawam system as well as outside the community.

Discussion of qualifications for this position centered on major differences between the original job description devised in 1976 and the one adopted into policy in 1980 under former Superintendent Louis Hebert's reorganization of central office. The committee eventually opted to use the 1980 description.

In addition, board member Richard Borgatti pressed for an individual with some business administra-

tion background.

"We should look to the near future when this school system may only call for two top administrators," Borgatti said. "We should be foresighted enough now to hire someone with some business strength as we have the superintendent to provide direction in education."

A majority of his colleagues disagreed with Borgatti, declaring an assistant superintendent is needed at this time and should be sought. The board did agree to offer only a two-year contract with tentative plans to reevaluate the post at the end of that term.

After considerable discussion, the board also approved 5-2 offering a salary range from \$25,000 to \$32,000. Committee members Borgatti and Venetta Snyder held out for a ceiling level of \$30,000, a figure Bruno felt would preclude most local candidates from applying for the post.

Applications for the position of assistant superintendent will be accepted through September 11th and 5:00 p.m.



August 27, 1981

Fr. Paul Burns Assigned To VA

By Joanne Brown

Sacred Heart Church's loss of Father Paul Burns will be a great gain for parishioners at Our Lady of the Angels Church in Woodbridge, Virginia. Father Burns left Feeding Hills this week to assume his recently-appointed post as pastor at this southern parish of approximately 1200 families located sixty miles from Washington, D.C.

"I'm quite familiar with the area and even with Our Lady of the Angels," Father Burns explained. "I used to visit that parish to say mass occasionally while I was studying in Washington, D.C."

After growing up in the Boston area and graduating from Elm Bank Seminary in Wellesley, Father Burns was ordained a priest in the Stigmatine order at the National Shrine of Our Lady in Washington, D.C. in June, 1962.

He continued his studies both at Catholic University and later, after taking on parish duties in White Plains, New York, at Fordham University.

Plains, New York, at Fordham University.

From 1965-1972, he returned to the Boston area to teach at Elm Bank Seminary and then to direct retreats at the Espousal Retreat House in Waltham.

August, 1972, marked the beginning of a nine-year stint as curate here in Feeding Hills. Parishioners at Sacred Heart quickly became accustomed to this unassuming, scholarly priest who presented a familiar sight walking or jogging the territory with his faithful dog Kale.

Working in all areas of parish community life, Father Burns was especially devoted to improving the parish's Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) program - both to update it for children and to organize classes in the latest church teachings for adults. He also set up and directed a library of religious materials located in the Parish Center and takes great pride in the availability of such material to

his parishioners.

Kids also consumed much of his attention through the Sacred Heart Athletic Association of which he was titular head and spiritual advisor. Often he and Kale would attend the games where they would be constantly surrounded by spritely youngsters begging to take the dog for a walk.

Father Burns feels sorrow at leaving the parish where he's been so happy for the last nine years, but he also looks forward to the challenge of assuming a pastorate.

"I see the duties of a pastor as two-pronged," Father declared. "First of all, he must be responsible for administering the parish finances and property, but he must also serve as his parishioners spiritual leader and the rallying point for the parish family."

He anticipates these new duties will be a definite challenge quite different from anything he's taken on in the past. He will be assisted by a young priest, Father Peter Walker, and hopes to be of help and inspiration to him much in the same way the priests with whom he's worked at Sacred Heart have been to him.

A particularly moving part of Father Burns' last mass at Sacred Heart was the singing of the hymn "Bless, O Lord, Your Priest Today." From all of us here in Agawam as well as the Springfield diocese, our wishes can only reflect the same thought.

School Board Boosts Salaries

By Joanne Brown

In an hour-long executive session Tuesday night, the School Committee approved a new salary range and additional classifications for school department secretaries. The salary range, according to Chairman Walter Balboni's report on the closed meeting, reflects an 8% increase for the secretaries.

The board simultaneously adopted six, instead of the previous four, classifications for secretarial staff. The increase passed on a 5-2 vote with members

Rosemary Sandlin and Jessie Fuller disagreeing. Ac-

cording to Mrs. Sandlin, she was against the placement of some of the personnel within the various classifications and also against "inequities" in the pay scale.

"Some of the secretaries actually get as much as a 14% raise instead of 8%," Mrs. Sandlin declared.

"Both Mrs. Fuller and I would not go along with such inequities."

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FORMER GOVERNOR MICHAEL DUKAKIS, second from left, and some of his local supporters who attended a reception to support Dukakis' rematch against Governor Edward King. From left, William Quinn, Dukakis, Paul Cavallo, Gene Latourneau, Clovis Goyette, Maureen Scibelli, Mary Kennedy, Ernest Lombardi, Rudy Altobelli, Norman Crawley and Ken Foote. Photo by Jack Devine.

Dukakis Swings Through Town

By Rita White

Agawam was the final leg of a daylong campaign swing by former Governor Michael Dukakis.

The Agawam-Southwick committee to re-elect

The Agawam-Southwick committee to re-elect Dukakis governor, under the co-chairmanship of Mary Kennedy and Rudy Altobelli, organized the fundraising reception held at the American Legion post last Saturday night. Despite the difficult odds of one of the last weekends of the summer and the Oktoberfest taking place in town, the reception had a good turnout.

Mr. Dukakis said that from the many lessons learned in the '78 campaign, this next one would be ''long, hard, and complicated.''

Obviously, one of the prime efforts will have to be fundraising, as Dukakis sees a need for as much as \$1.5 million to run a good campaign, which is 3½ times as much as his '74 campaign.

He also pointed out that it is important to organize early as this election will be different due to its being the first time in many years that there will be a preprimary nominating caucus and therefore necessary to reach the people at ground level to explain this important change.

When asked who he felt his real opponent would be in the election, his comment was that he would "not be running against anyone," but rather "running for office."

He discussed many of the issues which he feels will be election issues, such as the MBTA deficit for which half the funds come out of the state treasury, meaning we all pay. Also discussed were the 3,000 new people on the state payroll while cities and towns are laying off personnel due to 2½; the increasing crime rate; and the state's higher education program, one of the hottest issues currently in the news.

Dukakis pointed out that the state's educational system is its greatest natural resourse which enjoys an international reputation, something the state cannot

afford to allow to deteriorate.

Pay...Continued From Page 1

Also approved for an 8% pay hike was Business Manager James Coon, whose current \$27,140 salary will be upped to \$29,311. Coon's increase came on the recommendation of the budget sub-committee which had been established to deal with administrative personnel. This committee was formally disbanded following the vote on Coon's salary.

Other changes in pay rates adopted for school personnel include 8% increases for the positions of school lunch supervisor and storekeeper, a 25° per hour increase (to \$3.75) for teacher aides and bus monitors, and an additional \$100 for the principal of the adult education program. Teachers in this program had previously agreed not to seek an increase in their \$7.50 per hour stipend.

Substitute teachers received a slight increase in their pay rate following the first fifteen days of service. They will remain at \$30 per day for the first fifteen, but will jump from \$32 to \$35 for each succeeding day.

School Lunch Prices Rise

The committee voted unanimously to raise the price of elementary school lunches to 55° and of high school lunches to 60°. A la carte milk will increase to 15°.

According to Coon, these prices reflect the loss of reimbursement the town will have to endure this year. He explained that Agawam's price increases can be held lower than those of neighboring towns because "we use more commodities than other area systems and actually employ fewer labor hours than many."

Coon does not expect an appreciable difference in the number of lunches consumed each day to occur.

Personnel

The board accepted the resignations of Roland Pressey, who is leaving due to a non-work related disability; of Julie Orr, teacher at Phelps School; of Carol Orsatti, teacher at Agawam High; and of Joseph Lavoie, who leaves his post as assistant football coach.

The board approved the transfers of JoAnn Trauschke to Phelps third grade and of Barbara Stevens to physical education at Agawam High.

They appointed Donna Drewnowski to teach art at Agawam High, Edward McAffrey for math at Agawam Junior High, Susan Brown for music (chorale) at Agawam Junior High, Leslie Clark, physical education Agawam Middle, and part-time teachers Linda Beecher, Spanish, Agawam High, Tamara Watson, music, Agawam Junior High, and Gloriajean Sheiber, half-time kindergarten, Granger School.

Leaves of absence were granted to Judith Santaniello until December 11th, to Kathleen Ennis for a year to study at the University of New Hampshire, and for secretary Shirley Dumont from August 31 to September 25

A special event has been arranged for Sunday, September 13th, at 2:00 p.m. at which a formal ceremony marking the official takeover of the new addition to Agawam High School by the School Committee from the Building Committee will take place. Tours of the new addition will follow the formal session.



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Garden Club Slates Flower Show

The Agawam Garden Club has scheduled its annual Flower Show for Tuesday, September 8th, at the Capt. Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam, beginn-

ing at 7 p.m.

This year's show will follow a theme of Country
Livin' and will be under the direction of cochairpersons Dorothy Brown and Alice Moore.

Children's participation will be offered in categories of vegetables grown by the child, any small plant maintained by the child, a single plant or dish garden showing a woodland or desert scene, and flowers of yellow or orange color arranged in metal containers.

Adults may compete in categories involving Horticulture grown by the exhibitor. Groupings include annuals, perennials or tubers, roses or shrubs, herbs,

vegetables, and fruits. Houseplant categories include flowering plants, green plants, and hanging plants.

Artistic displays will be judged in categories of "A Stroll Down the Road," "Welcome You All," "Come on Down To Supper," and "Small is Beautiful."

For further information on any of these categories, please contact Dorothy Brown at 786-8671. One entry is permitted in each category.

Noctural Adoration Society Sets Meeting

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam-West Springfield will meet this month at Sacred Heart

Church, Feeding Hills, on September 4th from 9 p.m. through Saturday, September 5th, at 6 a.m.

The Rev. Jospeh Flood, pastor, will open with benediction and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed througout the nine hours with rotating groups changing every hour.

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The following individuals were inducted into this group on August 7th: Lois Smus, Armand P. Gaudreau, Cecile Turcotte, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Gaudreault, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rielle, Fernando Silva, Alice Arnois, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Morgan, Mary Closter, Nancy Natle, Karen Mihalchick, Agnela and Concetta Laporati, Angela Girogi, Anthony Anziano, Louis Melchiori, Eugene Maheu, Christine Mason, Denise Falardeau, Carol Prologo, Marguerite Douillard, Irene Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. James Merchande, Dolores Gatti, Claire Berard, Mr. James Merchande, Dolores Gatti, Claire Berard, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Eldridge, Agnes Brunton, Raymonde Bean, Mary Koob, Olivia Panilio, Sr. Therese Remes, S.N.D., Estelle Sullivan, and Doris Boutillette.

Counseling

Center Gets Exec. Director

By Rita White

The Agawam Counseling and Youth Service Center welcomed a new director this month. Robin Clark, originally from North Carolina, joined the staff on

Coming to Agawam from Bristol, Connecticut, where he was the director of Youth Services for the town, Clark is a graduate of the University of Connecticut and has earned his master's degree in Family Development and Human Services.

While he has only been here a short time, he has some definite ideas on the needs and future goals of the center. He would like to see more emphasis on family involvement. In many areas, especially when dealing with younger people, he feels it is necessary to work with the entire family which must function as

Clark feels that, while treatment is certainly a main objective for the center, preventive care is also essential. Prevention should be foremost in our thoughts, thus reducing the need for treatment, according to

With the merger of the two service organizations, thus becoming the Agawam Counseling and Youth Service Center, it gives the staff an opportunity to serve the community in a more well-rounded way. People who take advantage of these services range in

age from five to over-65's.

The staff consists of eight fulltime employees and four part-time individuals, all well trained in their respective fields to provide counseling on an expert

Many activities are planned for the youth to provide them with an opportunity to learn initiative and selfrespect, to be able to set goals for themselves, and to learn to interact with others.

Agawam citizens are fortunate to have this center so readily available to them, and Robin Clark is an excellent addition to our professional community. His interest, desire, and capabilities are obvious and should make the newly-formed center something for us to be proud of.



ROBIN CLARK

Counseling Center Forming Groups

By Rita White

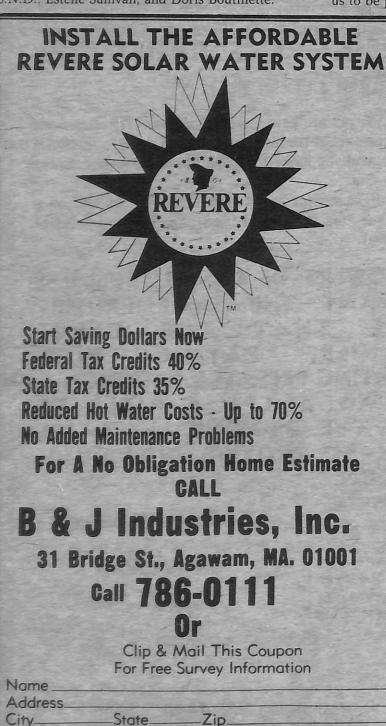
Pat Burkhardt, outreach therapist at the Agawam Counseling and Youth Service Center, announces that there will be some special groups forming within the next few weeks. These groups are for the benefit of the public and will be formed to suit their needs.

Among the current possibilities forming are single

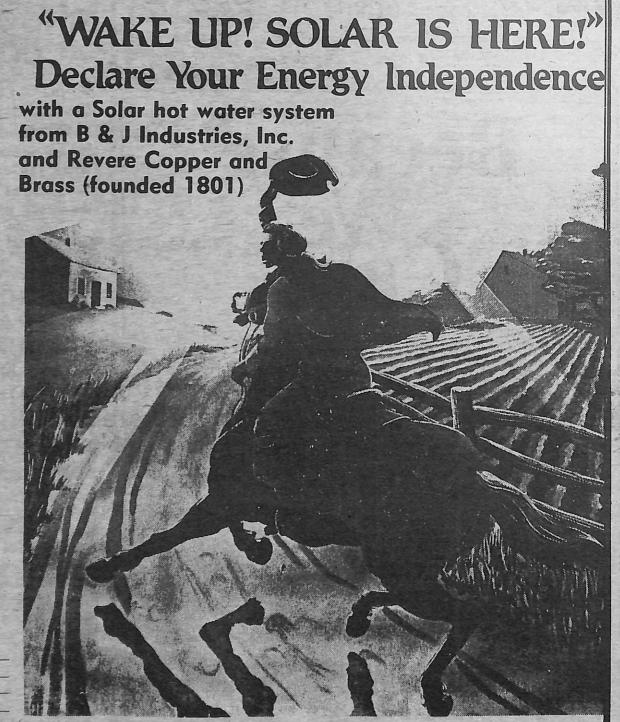
parenting, making ends meet on an AFDC budget, parent concerns about teenagers (drugs, in-dependence, sexuality, etc), being a child in a single parent home, and teen issues (rap group).

These are only possibilities being considered. If anyone has some particular problem he would like discussed with others in similar circumstances, he is welcome to look into these group meetings. According to Ms. Burkhardt, support groups such as these often can aid through bringing together those with common problems who can share their thoughts and

If you fit any of these proposed discussion groups or are just interested in being able to talk with someone, contact Ms. Burkhardt at the center to let her know of



Phone



Local McDonald's Tag Sale For MDA

The McDonald's restaurant on Suffield Street, Agawam, will sponsor a tag sale to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association on Saturday, August

29th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All items for this tag sale have been donated by employees of McDonald's.

Among other activities of the day will be facepainting and the selling of balloons. All activities will take place in the parking lot adjacent to the

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County Office To Administer **Energy Grant**

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ministering a Western Massachusetts Energy Grant.
The counties of Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin, Berkshire, and the Fitchburg area of Worcester have received a \$60,000 grant from the state Executive Office of Energy Resources to be used for financing energy conservation.

Each county will receive \$10,000 segments, to be allocated to agencies in each of the five counties.

According to Dr. James O'Connell, director of the County Energy Office, "The coalition will provide technical assistance to municipalities and community organizations for financing energy conservation measures in municipal and residential buildings. A great deal of money can be saved through energy conservation. In fact, the savings can help offset cutbacks necessitated by Propostion 21/2."

As County Commissioner Leonard Collamore pointed out, "County government has played a critical role in sponsoring local energy planning and development projects in Western Massachusetts."

Sweet Adelines Seek **New Members**

The Pioneer Valley Chapter of Sweet Adelines, Inc. invites women who enjoy singing to join their international organization on its Membership Night to be held on September 1st

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DeBonville Announces Steering Committee

John DeBonville of 62 Charter Oak Drive in Feeding Hills, candidate for the Agawam School Committee, has announced the formation of the "DeBonville For School Committee Steering Group. Members of this group are Mr. and Mrs. Mark Anspach, Mr. Gerald J. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Frankenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Zern, Mr. Richard Theroux, and Mr. Fred Montessi.

In making the announcement, DeBonville stated that he was "extremely pleased to have people of this caliber join our campaign. These individuals are all closely involved with youth, and many of them have children currently enrolled in the school system."

He said, "This should indicate, once again, that the people of Agawam are fed up with the political orientation of the current School Committee and want capable, respectful, and representative individuals on that committee.'

DeBonville also announced that he will soon begin walking throughout Agawam to meet with voters, determine their priorities within the school system,

and to spread the "central points" of his campaign.
"Our campaign is based on the following he said 1) the current School Committee lacks representation from people who have children currently in the system - I am a parent of a child in the school system. 2) background - my 12 years of experience in college admissions makes me the only candidate able to objectively evaluate the end product of an Agawam education, AHS grads. 3) Business skills - I hold an MBA (Masters in Business Education) degree and am concerned about cost-effectiveness within the school system. 4) I have been actively involved in the community for many years.'

W.Spfld. Coin Club Show

The West Springfield Coin Club will hold its Coin and Stamp Show on October 11, 1981, at the Greek Cultural Center, 2309 Main Street, Springfield from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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veil. She carried a colonial bouquet of white carnations, baby's breath, and lily of the valley.

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SOCIAL



Mrs. Wendy Matys

Steadman-Matys Nuptials Announced

On Saturday morning, August 22, 1981, Wendy Lee Steadman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Steadman of Hendom Drive, Feeding Hills, became the bride of Kevin M. Matys, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Matys of Claremont Avenue, Holyoke.

The Rev. Frank Dunn officiated at the double-ring ceremony held at Valley Community Church.

The bride wore a white eyelet gown with a lace bodice and full bishop sleeves. She also wore a profile

silk rose with baby's breath. Similarly attired in a rainbow of colors were bridesmaids Susan Steadman of Feeding Hills, Debra Yelinek of Agawam, Susan Matys of Providence, and

Beth Kerr of West Springfield. Acting as flower girl was Jennifer Johnson of Southwick.

Francis Matys stood as best man with Adolph Matys acting as proxy. Ushers were David Matys of Holyoke, Eddie Appel of Maine, Gary Welch of Chicopee, and Mark Steadman of West Springfield. James Brunelle, nephew of the groom, served as

A reception at Sheraton Inn/West followed the ceremony with Lisa Steadman in charge of the guest

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and Johnson and Wales College. She is a computer pro-

grammer at Hi-G Inc.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Holyoke High School and Johnson and Wales College, is a computer programmer at Gexler Associates.

Following a honeymoon in Vermont, the couple will reside in Feeding Hills.

Mary Ellen Starr Weds Berselli

Mary Ellen Starr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Starr of Elmer Drive, Chicopee, became the bride of Jeffrey B. Berselli of Plantation Drive, Agawam, on Saturday, July 4, 1981. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melchior Berselli of Birchland Avenue, Springfield.

The candlelight ceremony took place at St. Anne Church in Chicopee with Reverend Sullivan officiating. A reception followed at the Marriott Grand Ballroom in Springfield.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Bonnie Hoyt as matron of honor, and bridesmaids Terri Theroux, Mary McGrath, and Janet Santeusanio. Kathleen Marie Starr, sister of the bride, and Barbara Ann Berselli, sister of the groom, also served as attendants.

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Mrs. Mary Ellen Berselli

Richard DeCrosta served as best man with ushers James Starr, brother of the bride, Russell Ilig, and Norman Edelson. Stephanie Davis, godchild of the groom, served as flower girl escorted by David Hatheway as ringbearer.

The bride wore a formal, full-length gown of ivory chiffon with long sheer cuffed sleeves and matching hat and veil, all trimmed in Alencon lace. She carried a bouquet of white roses, stephanotis, pink carnations, and baby's breath.

Her attendants were identically attired in sleeveless chiffon gowns in a pink floral pattern on an ivory background and carried bouquets of pink carnations, daisies, and baby's breath.

Mrs. Berselli received a bachelor's degree in communication disorders from the College of Our Lady of the Elms and is currently a speech and language

therapist in the Agawam School System.

Mr. Berselli received a bachelor's degree from Nichols College and is an automotive consultant for Balise Motor Sales, Springfield.

Following a honeymoon to Haiti, the couple will reside in Agawam.

Juniors Schedule

Membership Tea

On September 3rd, at 8 p.m., a Membership Tea will be held for women who wish to learn more about the Agawam Junior Women's Club. The tea will take place at the home of Mrs. Carol Couchon, 16 Kimber-Circle, Feeding Hills.

This event is being held to offer interested women an opportunity to ask questions and seek information on any aspect of the organization. Contact Mrs. Couchon at 786-5291 for more information.

MUNICIPAL EVENTS Sponsored By COLONIAL

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Monday, September 7th LABOR DAY Town Hall Closed

Tuesday, September 8th Political Season Opens

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Wednesday, September 9th Schools Open

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"On The Clothesline"



By Penny Stone

Former Agawam resident, ELLSWORTH "SKIP" SHARPE, son of MRS. RICHARD SCANNELL and the late LEWIS SHARPE, was elected President and Chairman of the Board of the Blinded Veterans Association at their 36th national convention held recently in Arlington, Virginia.

Skip is a graduate of Agawam High School and of the University of Massachusetts, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering and a commission in the U.S. Air Force. While attending pilot training, he was involved in an accident which damaged his optic nerve and was medically retired.

He then earned his Master's degree in education from Springfield College and subsequently taught mathematics at Agawam High for two years, while serving as assistant coach of the football team which won the Western Mass. championship.

After completing graduate studies in mechanical engineering at WPI, he began working for NASA at the Langley Research Center, where he did research on both hypersonic aircraft and high speed space vehicles. In December, 1980, he transferred in government service to the Food and Drug Administration, Bureau of Medical-Devices, in Silver Springs, Maryland, where is his now a bio-medical engineer.

While with NASA, Skip received the Apollo Achievement Award for his work related to man's first trip to the moon. In addition, he has earned the NASA Outstanding Handicapped Employee Award two consecutive years and the U.Mass Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award in 1979, when he was recognized as international expert in Cryogenics and asked to give an invited paper in Munich, Germany.

After serving in numerous other capacities, Skip was this year elected president of the Blinded Veterans Association, of which he is a life member. This former Agawam graduate has certainly made us proud and we sincerely wish him a long and healthy future and continued success.

New Agawam resident KEVIN CHARLES KELLEY, first born of HARRIET & KENNETH KELLEY of 61 Campbell Drive, is home from the hospital and doing fine. Kevin was born on August 8th, weighing 6 pounds, 15½ ounces, and measuring 22 inches long.

Grandparents to Kevin are TERESA & EUGENE KELLEY JR. of 44 Elbert Road, Agawam, and NORMAN & BERNICE RUBINSKY of Howell, New Jersey. The baby is blessed with four great-grandparents: JACK & TOBY GORDON and DORIS RUBINSKY, all of Montreal, Canada, and MARY KELLEY of Chicopee.

After spending a short time in intensive care with a "respiratory problem," Kevin is home and receiving visitors. Uncle MICHAEL RUBIN-SKY stopped by with a toy football player he hopes will become a favorite and his aunt JEAN and uncle ROBERT KELLEY of Elbert Road are quite proud of him, too. Welcome to the world, Kevin

Christened this past Sunday at Sacred Heart Church was the first child of JUDY & BOB SANTANIELLO of 111 Karen Lynn Circle, Feeding Hills. "ROBERT ANGELO" was born on June 13th and weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 21 inches long.

The happy grandparents include CECILIA & LEWIS REBECCHI of 54 Lealand Avenue, Agawam, and ANGELO & JEANNE SANTANIELLO of Breckwood Circle, Springfield. MRS. JULIA GRASSO of 608 Meadow Street, Agawam, is the baby's proud great-grandmother.

Officiating at the baptism was the Rev. Joseph Flood while ERNEST MANFERDINI of East Longmeadow (Bob's cousin) and JANICE BELL of Tariffville, CT. (Judy's sister) took on the duties as godparents. A big party followed the ceremony with over 75 friends and relatives enjoying a "real old-fashioned Italian get-together."

While talking to her sister, ROSE LETELLIER, on the phone Sunday, MADELINE GIBSON and her husband CLIFF decided to fly to Agawam from their condominium overlooking San Francisco Bay in Marin, California. So, the next day, that's exactly what they did!

"May" retired from the Town Assessor's Department and Cliff retired from the Springfield Street Railway, and the couple formerly lived at 448 Springfield Street. Their son JIM is in charge of all Eastern Air Lines activities at Miami Airport, Florida, and their daughter HOLLY resides in San Francisco also. May is the sister of IOE CONTI, Agawam's building inspector.

If I knew you were coming, I'd 'a baked a cake...and hardly have had time to frost it!

If you have an item of social interest, you ar welcome to call Penny Stone at 786-9144 after p.m. or at 786-8137.



SKIP SHARPE of Agawam was elected President and Board Chairman of the Blinded Veterans Association. See "On The Clothesline."



KEVIN CHARLES KELLEY, first born of Harriet & Kenneth Kelley. See "On The Clothesline."

Effective Self-Medication

There are an estimated 20 million joggers in the U.S. They have been called the most visible expression of the surge of interest in people doing more to take responsibility for their own health.



A national survey in 1979 found that 70 percent of the public was more concerned about health than in the previous year. Sixty percent said they do not take good health for granted, reports The Proprietary Association, a trade association representing the manufacurers of nonprescription medicines.



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Beginners	Sept. 15	Tues.	7:00-10 PM	30.00
Advanced	Sept. 16	Wed.	9:30-12	30.00
Beginners	Sept. 16	Wed.	7:00-10 PM	30.00
Beginners	Sept. 17	Thurs.	9:30-12	30.00
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ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA Chicken Barbeque Committee members are, from left, Paul Ferrarini, Dorothy Pilegi and Gubby Borgatti. The annual barbeque is always and end-of-the-summer treat as many parishioners and friends attend the affair, held at the Polish Club. Photo by Jack Devine.

St. Anthony's Plans Chicken Barbeque

The 19th annual Family Chicken Barbeque, sponsored by the Holy Name Society of St. Anthony of Padua Church, will take place on Sunday, August 30th, at the Polish Club Pavilion, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, from noon to 4 p.m. Continuous servings will be offered rain or shine.

The menu will consist of half chicken, tossed salad, native corn on the cob, bread, watermelon, and beverages. Take out orders will be available in your own container. Tickets, donated by Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, are \$4 for adults and Tickets, donated by \$2 for children. They may be purchased in advance from the rectory or at Mutti's Service Station, or at the field on the day of the event.

A raffle will feature a first prize of 100 gallons of gas or cash, a second prize of a season lottey ticket, and many other prizes donated by area merchants and individuals.

Area Theatre **Audition Dates** Announced

Several area theatre groups have announced audition dates for fall productions. Aspiring actors and stage crew members are encouraged to attend tryouts. Prior experience is helpful, but not essential.

Agawam Repertory Theatre, which will present A Streetcar Named Desire, will be casting on September 9th and 11th at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library. The Tennessee Williams drama will be directed by Roger Talbot.

Westfield Theatre Group will hold try-outs for Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? on September 8th and 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield Women's Club. Linda Kapinos will direct.

Private Lives is the choice of the Suffield Players for its fall show. Director Waldo Goodermote has called for auditions at 8 p.m. on September 8th, 9th, and 10th in the auditorium of Suffield High School.

New Valley Players will cast for the musical Grease some time in September. If interested, please call Flo Healy at 788-9053 for time and place. A January opening at the Brass Rail restaurant in Southwick is plann-

These shows are open to the public. All are encouraged to participate.

Local Grange To Meet

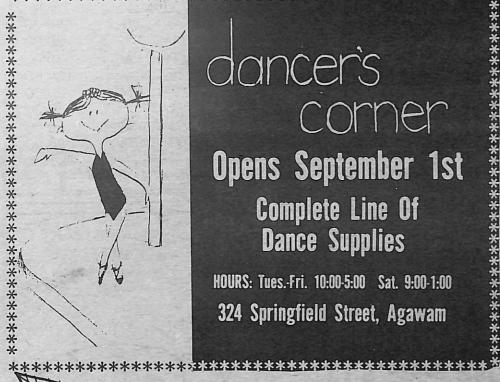
Community Grange will meet Tuesday evening, September 1st, at 7:30 in the Grange Home on North

Newly elected officers will be installed by Truman W. Cahill, chaplain of the Mass. State Grange, and his installing suite.

Those to be installed include Pauline Sosnowich, master; Lillian McDonald, overseer; Caroline Almquist, lecturer; Roberta Cesan, steward; Richard Allen, assistant steward; Ruth Allen, lady assistant steward; Gertrude Nilson, chaplain; Muriel Thayer, treasurer; Florence Blish, secretary; Alexander Sosnowich, gatekeeper; Lois White, Ceres; Evelyn Cordi, Pomona; Maria Giroux, Flora.

The executive committee will be led by Frank llen. Pauline Sosnowich will act a junior matron, nd Hannah Binns will serve as pianist.

Refreshments will follow the installation under the direction of Muriel Thayer assisted by Edith Graham and John and Grace Baruffaldi.



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Area Theatre

By Rita White

Summer has almost left us and that means new beginnings. Fall for one thing is on our doorstep with all the wonders nature has to offer us during this season. Also, it is time for school to start. While we watch all those young children going off to learn the wonders of the world, aren't there some things we would still like to learn?

It is never too late you know. Many cities and towns offer adult education classes for very little cost. If you are worried about having to drive at night alone or just being out alone at night, get a group of friends together and join the same class or find classes that appeal to you all that are on the same night. I have seen some very happy people at some of these classes coming in groups and opening many doors for themselves. Never be afraid to try some new beginn-

I am very disappointed to have to tell you that the singing group that was formed at the Center has been cancelled. You know, it is very sad when you hear people sit around and complain that there is nothing to do or why don't they provide a certain program for them. Things are offered here in Agawam all the time for seniors. There was an effort to please some seniors who showed an interest in belonging to a singing group. A group was formed and a teacher found. This past Monday night, not a single person showed up and no one had called the teacher to tell her he would not be coming, so the teacher showed up for nothing.

If you are truly interested in some particular activity, make an effort to attend and, if you can't, please let someone know.

The drama group will be meeting again next Tuesday at 10 a.m. Be sure and be there. It is fun and we need more people.

Next week's lunches look like this: Monday, sweet and sour pork; Tuesday, stuffed peppers; Wednesday, veal patties; Thursday, brockwurst; and Friday, fried clams. If you haven't visited the Senior Center for lunch, just call a day ahead and make a reservation so that they know how many people to prepare lunch for. It is a terrific bargain and fun to have lunch with so many friends.

The Encore held its first brunch for seniors this past Sunday and we hear it was a great success. There was a buffet and dancing for \$6.00. You couldn't have found a better deal if you looked all day. The fantastic smorg consisted of roast beef, meatballs, salad, etc. All the trimmings including dessert. There were approximately 40-50 people there and they all had a great time and are looking forward to the next one. A reminder to everyone: please be sure to make your reservations early when the next brunch is announc-

Summer is waving goodbye, Autumn is waving hello. With all this coming and going, I don't know which way to go.

Rita White

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August 29th MDA Tag Sale McDonald's (Agawam) 5 p.m.

August 30th Chicken Barbeque St. Anthony's Church At Polish Club Noon - 5 p.m.

Sun., Aug. 30th St. John's Field Leonard St.

Thur. Sept. 3 Membership Tea Junior Women's Club 16 Kimberly Circle 8 p.m.

Tues. Sept 8th Flower Show Ag. Garden Club Capt. Leonard House 7 p.m.

Picnic & Barbeque 1:00-5:00 p.m.





Ernestine Book, of 92 Oak Hill Ave. enjoys the Brunch at ENCORE. See Beginnings."

F.H. Women's Club **Announces**

Programs

The Feeding Hills Women's Club will hold meetings on the first Wednesday of each month beginning in September and running through May at the Grange Hall on North West Street. The public is

welcome to attend any of these meetings.
Officers for the 1981-82 year are Thelma Gardner, president; Clara McLean, first vice-president; Mary Davis, second vice-president; Rita Matys, secretary; and Barbara Kupec, treasurer. Directors will be Barbara Swanson, Mary Rachek, and Ruth Galica.

September's program will feature an introduction to genealogy; October's, a pot luck supper and disussion on topiary creations; November's, a program on antiques with Judy Howe of the Beau Brummel Shop.

December's program will feature a Christmas

theme, bazaar, mitten tree, and exchange of gifts. February's will offer a Monte Carlo Whist and auction for the Friendship Fund.

March will feature Linda Fuller discussing Trips and Trivia, a guide to places to visit in Western Mass. April will bring Mary Ladner in to discuss doll collecting, and May will feature the annual banquet.

A special bus trip to Stockbridge to visit the Norman

Rockwell and Chestnut Museums will take place on October 18th, with money for the trip requested by October 15th.

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Happy Quilting

By Suzanne Ashe
Of The Piecemakers Quilt Shop

By Cherie Fifield Of The Piecemakers Quilt Shop

(This is the second part of an article on piecing quilts begun in our August 13th edition).

There are basically three methods of piecing - using a template with a quarter inch seam allowance added to each piece; using a template that produces a piece the exact finished size; or using a window template.

The first method is particularly useful when you have basically straight lines to sew; you can just fit the two pieces of material together and use the quarter-inch marking on your sewing machine to guide you.

An example of this would be if you were making a block that needed squares 4" in size when they were all sewn together. You would use a template that was 4½" square - the 4" finished size of the piece with a quarter inch seam allowance added to each side. The nice thing about this method is that you can usually get more pieces of material cut since each piece can be drawn exactly next to the preceeding one. You can also fold your piece of material in half, draw half the number of pieces you will require, and cut out two at a time.

In the second method, your template would be the same size as the finished piece. Using our 4" squares again, you would trace around a 4" template, except that this time you will need to leave enough space between each piece so that you have approximately a 3/8" allowance all around.

When you are ready to start sewing the pieces together, you must line the sewing lines up instead of just matching edges. To accomplish this, you put your two pieces of material with the right sides together. Next you insert a pin through the corner in one piece of material and then match it through the opposite corner of the other piece. After you have two corners of both pieces matched up and see that the sewing

lines are aligned, you may then sew the pieces together, using the drawn line as your sewing guide.

This method is used commonly for beginning quilters until they have mastered the first method. This method must also be used for anyone piecing her quilt together by hand as you would not then have access to a guide on a machine, but would instead need a penciled line to guide your stitching.

The third method, using a window template, actually incorporates both the first two methods. Window templates have a quarter-inch border in the desired shape with the entire finished size cut out (hence the name "window" template). The nice thing about these particular templates is that you can use either method one or two or you may combine them both.

By using the outside of the template, you will draw your pieces the exact finished size. If you find the added allowance method easier, but are not sure that your machine guide is correct, you can draw both lines. In this method, you would cut each piece out using the outside line, but your actual sewing would be done on the inside line. While this method does take a bit more time, it is useful to use until you feel confident enough to use just one line.

Whichever method of piecing you choose, the important thing to remember is that for your blocks to come out even, each piece must be drawn and, where applicable, cut the same size. Even an eighth of an inch can make enough of a difference to cause the finished blocks to be off-size enough to prevent them from fitting together nicely.

Mention should be made that it is just as important to use the right marking materials as it is method of marking. There are many colored pencils available today, as well as the good old reliable lead pencil. What is important is that the marking implement be water soluble. Ink or permanent marker should NEVER be used under any circumstances as they will "bleed" into the fabrics, ruining all your diligent work.

If you should mistakenly use ink and find that it has started to run into the fabrics, you can try spraying the lines with ordinary hair spray. It may be necessary to then wash the fabric in cold water with a mild detergent, but avoiding the use of permanent marking pens and pencils will avoid this problem.

Whether it takes a month or a year to complete, making a quilt by the pieced method is relatively fast, versatile, and definitely rewarding. Using the methods described, just about anyone can make a lovely treasured quilt to be passed on from one generation to the next!

MD Holds Carnival



A BACKYARD CARNIVAL FOR MUSCULAR DISTROPHY was held at the home of Nora Lloyd, 127 Robin Ridge Drive on Tuesday, August 25th. Twelve homemade games were made by neighborhood children and prizes and refreshments donated by parents.

A sponge-throw, golf game, color wheel, and pull-a-string were a few of the favorite games of the 26 or more carrival games. Prizes of candy

A sponge-throw, golf game, color wheel, and pull-a-string were a few of the favorite games of the 36 or more carnival goers. Prizes of candy, gum, pencils, balloons, combs, and coloring pages were happily received. A good time was had by the eleven helpers.

Chairpeople Nora Lloyd and Christie Colagiovanni thank all the neighbors and children for their help and will be happy to give a check of \$69.71 to the Jerry lewis Labor Day Telethon for Muscular Dystrophy.

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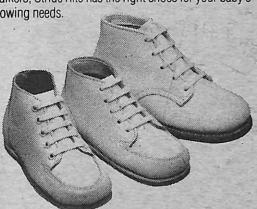
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PARAMEDIC NICHOLAS DEMKO checks the blood pressure of Jane Raimondi of 36 Maynard Street, Feeding Hills, during fund-raising drive for the Department's new ambulance. Firemen are attempting to raise the money to pay for the ambulance and had some of the older models on display Saturday at the Agawam Food Mart. If you wish to donate, call the Fire Department. Photo by Jack Devine.



ALBERT J. BOADRY

Local Man Named Aetna Director

Albert J. Boadry of 188 Line Street, Feeding Hills, has been appointed director, agency/company interface management, in the marketing department at Aetna Insurance Company, the property and casualty subsidiary of one of the nation's largest diversified financial institutions, Connecticut General Corporation.

Mr. Boadry joined Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, also a subsidiary of Connecticut General Corporation, in 1968 as a programmer in the corporate information services department. After a series of promotions, he was appointed assistant director of technical services in 1975.

In 1979, Mr. Boadry moved to CG/Aetna as assistant director, business systems department. He attended Bryant College.

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By Rita W

OCTOBERFEST Called



ENJOYING A TANKARD OF BECK'S BEST are Turnverien members, from left, Glenn Hostie, Leonard Forish and Al Labaff. Thousands of happy Octoberfest goers enjoyed a spot of German ale last weekend.

DEBI MACEY AND KATHY CHAPMAN of Agawam, enjoy a tasty ear of corn-on-the-cob at the Springfield Turnverein's Octoberfest held on their Garden Street grounds.



BRAD RILEY of Agawam and Fannie Groil (foreground) rollick to the sounds of one of the fine German bands on hand for last weekend's Octoberfest. Over 14,000 happy fairgoers passed through the Turnverien's Garden Street address.

The weather held out; the music played; the beer flowed; and approximately 14,000 people went through the gate to enjoy festivities at the Springfield Turnverein's Oktoberfest held in Feeding Hills last weekend.

Oktoberfests are traditionally celebrations to rejoice over a bountiful harvest. Harvest or not, it has become a yearly event in many places, including

The Turnverein was founded in 1855 by German immigrants who brought with them to this country the tradition of physical exercise. The motto of the organization became "Sound mind-Sound body."

The Springfield Turnverein offers programs for all to enjoy including those centered on physical education, culture, recreation, tournaments, and social events. Gym classes are available for children, teenagers, and senior citizens. Fencing instruction is offered along with classes in the German language. For those who enjoy singing, groups have been formed for both men and women. Bowling, golfing, fishing, swimming, and dancing are all available as well. All classes are planned and conducted by paid, qualified teachers.

The Turnverein also participates in many civic projects and, in this area particularly, they are known for their dedicated efforts on behalf of the American Heart Association.

The Oktoberfest is, however, the highlight of the year. A huge tent was erected for the occasion so that not even rain could put a damper on the fun. There were two German oompah bands. Alpine folk dancers and singers

Two of the young gymnasts from one of the classes held at the club put on exhibitions for the crowd of enthusiastic viewers. Eleven-year-old Kristin Stone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stone of Federal Street, and Amy Weber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Weber of Cooper Street, did their gymnastic routine beautifully, carrying on professionally in spite of a blown fuse which interfered with the music for their duet routine.





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TURNVEREIN PRESIDENT Difestival Queen JEAN DEFORG weekend to greet many of the that attended the Springfield Turn toberfest. The Feeding Hills England's largest Octoberfest a agreed that this year's was one gratulations to you both.

Best Ever By Fairgoers

ita White

There was plenty of food for everyone, from plain old hot dogs and hamburgers to knockwurst and other German specialties. There was also the Turner ox roast, and those who didn't get their tickets for this delicious treat early were left to watch the others enjoying it.

An entire section of the tent was set up for cake and pastries, and not too many people seemed to be wor-

rying about their waistlines that day.

And, of course, to top off all that food was imported German beer, wine, and liquor along with milk and soft drinks for the kids.

There were craft booths and games for the kids to try their luck and skills at. The most popular game, however, which attracted many living room ballplayers was a pitching game to measure the speed at which individuals could throw the ball. Competition here was fierce, egged on by a large crowd who constantly offered encouragement and cheers.

The queen of the Oktoberfest, Jean DeForge, was voted in by the membership of the organization and was present all day to help guests enjoy the festivities.

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Among the prizes raffled off was a trip to Bermuda for seven days for two which was won by Martha Hornbacker of Springfield. Second prize of a trip for two to Disney World, Florida, was won by Bob Weber of Feeding Hills, and third prize of a \$100 gift certificate to the Big Y was won by William St. Parish of Feeding Hills.

Colorful costumes worn by many of those Turners of German descent displayed traditional lederhosen and dirndl skirts to the delight of the more Americanized guests. Spectators could almost believe

they were in Germany.

Any individual interested in joining the Springfield Turnverein may get in touch with the organization at its Garden Street, Feeding Hills, address. Membership is not restricted only to those of German descent, though the club does maintain a 51% German membership. There is still plenty of room for anyone else who wants to belong the this very worthwhile organization.



A GOOD DAY FOR A PARADE began the festivities of the Springfield Turnverein's Octoberfest, which was a smashing success. The Octoberfest has become an end-of-the-summer tradition for the community.





KATHERINE FRANCIS AND EMA WEDEMEYER, both members of the Springfield Turnverein, are ready to serve piping hot pretzels to go along with the delicious German beer being served at the Octoberst last Saturday and Sunday.



T DICK WEDEMEYER and FORGE were on hand last the thousands of people who Turnverein's annual Ocills based club hosts New est and both Dick and Jeans one of the best ever. Con-



JACK AND JOYCE HOADLEY pose on back of the beer wagon at last weekend's Octoberfest sponsored by the Springfield Turnverein, the town's German Club. Children from all over the area attended the two-day festival with their parents.



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Not Just Italian At Romito's!



NADINE DEMARCO of ROMITO & SONS, a new gourment foods store on Walnut Street. Photo by Jack Devine.

By Rita White

I'm one of those cooks who loves to try new recipes. My only problem is I usually pick something that calls for special ingredients, which means going from place to place to find everything I need. Well, my searching days are over. I can find it all right in my own back yard: Agawam.

Romito Brothers, a specialty food store, opened its doors here in town last Wednesday, and it is a delight to have this store so close to

Owner/operator John Romito is no stranger to the business. His grandfather, Frank Romito, opened the family's first

store in 1921, and it's been in the family since with Frank's son Angelo next in line. Today, even though Angelo has officially retired, he remains active. Romitos are well known in the Springfield area as well as in East Longmeadow, where many people patronize their store in that community.

One of the special qualities of the store is the extra personal touch that is given. Manager Harry Lambouses, an Agawam resident, is not only an expert in the culinary field, but he also is willing to share his knowledge to help out

Many times people have a recipe which calls for ingredients or gives instructions which are unfamiliar to them. Take your recipes to Harry, who will be glad to help.

When it comes to the ingredients, chances are Romito Brothers will have them. In the unlikely event the store doesn't have what you need, they will be more than happy to special order it

A small hint here from Harry: if you are planning something special and there is any question about its availability, be sure to given them a little time to obtain it for you.

While people assume Romito Brothers caters to the Italian taste buds, they do much more than that. You'll specialties from Greece, France, England, the Middle East, and more. It's all there, caviar to candy, teas, pastas, and a fantastic deli counter including fat-free and salt-free

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Tribute To Father Paul

In August of 1972, Sacred Heart parishioners knew that Rev. Paul D. Burns was an individual who would soon become unforgettable

Father Burns, soft spoken with a saintly appearance all his own, has departed Sacred Heart Church and the community after a nine-year stay.

We, like so many other townsfolk, are

sad to say goodbye to "Father Paul."
Father Paul's association with youth in the Sacred Heart Athletic Association as titular head and spiritual advisor was well-known throughout the community.

Moreover, Father Paul possessed those certain qualities which drew people to him...he made his presence felt in many homes of his parish and the tearful goodbyes this past weekend were indicative of the close bond between him and his parish.

Father Paul's last mass at Sacred Heart was an emotional experience from both the altar and from the pews. His receptions on Saturday evening and Sunday at the Parish Center were equally emo-

Indeed, Father Paul Burns has imprinted his mark on his many friends both in the parish and throughout the community.

We wish him well in Woodbridge, Virginia. His new parishioners will soon learn that their community will become as much a part of him as he is to the community.

Our Election Policy

The Advertiser/News, in next week's edition, will be announcing its formal policy for the upcoming municipal elections. Once Our policy is announced, we ask any candidate who has further questions to please immediately contact Publisher Richard M. Sardella at 786-7747 or 786-8137.

> LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL N
> AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS LEGAL NOTICE

The School Department of the Town of Agawam announces a public sale of used surplus furntiture much in poor condition. The sale will take place on Thursday, September 3, 1981, 2:00-4:00 P.M. at the Katherine Danahy School, 51 Maple Street, Agawam, Massachusetts. Bids will be submitaple Street ted on a bid form supplied at time of sale. Bidders will be notified the following week. All merchandise must be removed on Friday, September 11, 1981 between the hours of 2:00-4:00 P.M.

> LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE Town Of Agawam PUBLIC HEARING

The Ordinance Committee of the Agawam Town Council will hold a Public Hearing dealing with:
ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ON Friday, September 4th, at 7 p.m. in the Agawam Public Library, Cooper Street, Agawam, Massachusetts. This hear-ing is given in compliance with Section 6-2 of the Agawam Rule Charter - Reorganization Plans by Town Wanager.

Paul V. Paleologopoulos Chairman, Ordinance Committee Published: August 27, 1981

LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL AGAWAM, MA.

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on September 21, 1981, at 8:00 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library, Cooper Street, Agawam, Ma. on the application for a Class II Dealers' license of Leo L. Matte, 136 Norman Street, West Springfield, Ma. to operate Riverside Auto Sales, 1 River Road, Agawam, Ma.

Richard J. Bowen Town Manager Published: August 27, 1981

Letters to the Editor

Manager Form Of Gov't Supported

To The Editor:

I would respond to D.J. Desmond by saying to him your letter in the August 20, 1981, AA/N confirms much of what I said in my letter of two weeks ago. Perhaps it will help to give a more specific example.

Several years ago, a referendum occurred in which the people of Agawam were asked to choose between Agawam's present form of government and a mayor form of government. Actually, we had three choices, but these were the two most favored by the respective proponants.

Your organization, "Citizens for Good Government," wanted the mayor form of government. The people's choice was for our present form of town government, but your organization never has accepted this, hence, the need to discredit Agawam town government so that the mayor form of government could be made to look more appealing.

Since Citizens for Good Government has not been duly elected to town office, nor appointed by authorized town officers, what right does your organization have to interfere or meddle in Agawam

town government?

I'll answer for you by saying every citizen has a right to speak out and be heard. However, there is a distinction here that Citizens for Good Government refuses to see. There is a real distinction between speaking out and deliberately interfering and/or med-dling in town government. You say what you are do-ing is perfectly legal! Tragically, ethics and morality is lacking in much of what is declared to be legal today.

I would repeat my challenge to you and your organization. Honor the will of the majority of people in Agawam. Since Agawam has been forced to find still another town manager, prove to all the people of Agawam that you truly want "good government" by letting the new administration function without interference or meddling. Speak out, yes, but you do not have the right to interfere or meddle in town government for your own purposes. What have years of disruptive government and a trail of maligned individuals accomplished for Agawam?

> Jack LoMonaco · Shoemaker Lane, Agawam

Should Bowen Be Allowed To Stay?

To The Editor:

The Agawam Town Manager Richard J. Bowen should be sent packing from his job. He should not be given the opportunity to linger on in a job which he knew some 5 months ago that he was leaving. He should not be allowed to establish policy that will look well on his next resume but will cause more havoc in town.

Mr. Bowen and Town Council are playing games with this budget. The council, with the approval and necessary recommendation of the Manager, voted to appropriate \$890,159 for the Water Department budget. To appropriate this amount of money the water rates did not have to be increased - I repeat, to raise \$890,159 the water budget rates did not have to be increased.

The problem is that though the water budget is \$890,000 the council and the Manager will be demanding that the water billing be increased to take in \$1,208.606 of your money which will incidentally be an overcharge of \$319,000.

The stupidity of this whole mess is that the council hired an accounting firm for \$5,000 to determine if the Water Department has been operating at a surplus for the past 6 years. What they don't understand is that if the \$890,159 they voted as the water budget as the tape recorded minutes of the meeting reveal, that "this budget is more than ample to pay for all the needs of the Water Department to make and keep that department self-sustaining." The tape recorded minutes also reveal that "this budget will be ample to pay for all the necessary bonding costs for the next four or five years.'

Now the mystery is if the \$890,159 figure will do all the above why is the council and Mr. Bowen seeking to raise \$1,208,606 again which is \$319,000 more than

Rookies councilor Andrew C. Gallano asked - no demanded - that money (\$5,000) be appropriated to determine by an outside accountant if there was a surplus in the Water Department as stated by me in

the past.
Why didn't Gallano, Bowen and the council understaped recorded minutes of their very own meetings, plus handle added expenses, surely then there must have been a surplus in the Water Department last year - especially when the \$890,159 is \$19,000 less than last year's Water Department Budget.

This is why the Citizens For Good Government is asking by petition to reduce the Water Department budget from \$1,208,606 to 909,888.

Valentine R. Moreno - President Citizens For Good Government

Don't Miss Next Week's Edition For The School Committee Report

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SCHOOL NEWS

Safety Taught To New Bus Riders



FIRST-TIME SCHOOL BUS RIDERS and the Junior Women's Club Safety Bug (if you peak underneath it's former Junior Women's President Aprille Soderman) and Safety Officer Al Longhi recently got-together to discuss the rules and regulations to make each morning and afternoon trip to and from the school both happy and safe. Sergeant Longhi and the Junior Women's Safety Bug have been preaching safety to children for many years. Photo by Jack Devine.

Valley Community Offers Day Care

The Valley Community Church Day Care Center on South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, will begin its 13th year of service to pre-school children and their parents in September.

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have come in large numbers through the years as parents recognize the value and significance of this total operation for their children.

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Information on Valley Community Day Care Center an be obtained by calling 786-5877.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 9th

WATCH FOR SCHOOL BUS SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK IN THIS NEWSPAPER

Registration Of New Students

Elementary and Middle School principals will be in their offices on August 31, September 1, 2, and 3 for registration of new students from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. Guidance personnel at the Middle School will also be available during this period.

Junior High School guidance staff and principal will be available on the same days along with September 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for registration of new students or conferences.

High School guidance staff and principal will be available on all of these days from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for registration and conferences.

AHS Band & Guard To Begin Rehearsals

The fall schedule of rehearsals for the Agawam High School Band and Color Guard will begin next week with mornings sessions set for Tuesday, September 1, Wednesday, September 2, and Thursday, September 3 from nine to noon.

day, September 3 from nine to noon.

Evening sessions will also be held on Tuesday and Thursday, September 1 and 3, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Agawam High Color Guard this year will reactivate the Honor Guard section, which includes the American flag, state flag, school flag, and several rifles. These positions were the only ones available several years ago in the regional color guard. Today's guard includes rifle twirling or flag spinning sections.

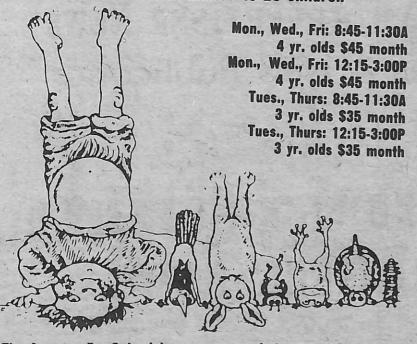
The Honor Guard will seek a small number of upper-class girls who will be selected on overall appearance, attractiveness, poise and rhythm. No rifle or flag skils will be needed; however, members of the Honor Guard should expect to be at all public appearances of the band. They will not be needed at all drill and equipment training sessions.

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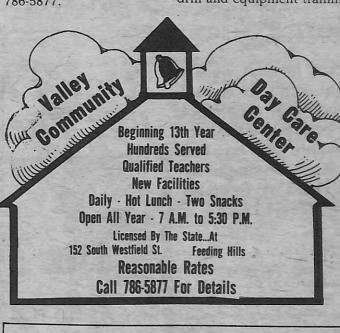
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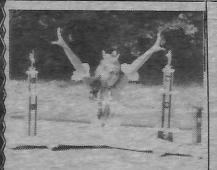
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Michelle Whitehouse, Age 16: Former feature Twirler, Westfield High School and Westfield Diablos, performed with Hanna Barbera Prod., member 1981 Nat'l Danceline.



Left: Erin Tymeson Age 4, Former Miss Westfield Fair Finalist, Little Miss Easter 1981 Spring Festival Beauty Queen/Right: Kristyn Winterton, Age 3, Northeast Spectacular Queen.



Stacy Koretz, Age 10, MA State Queen. Top 12 Novice Miss Majorette of America. Top 10 World Finalist Novelty Dance Championships University of Notre Dame 1981.



Jennifer Robinson, Age 9. Runner-up Northeast Spectacular Queen Top 10 Juvenile World Jazz Champion Finalist University of Notre Dame, 1981.



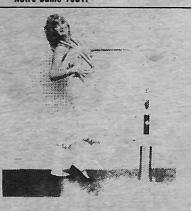
L.-R.: Kim Longley, Karen Twareg, Karen Seibert, Kristy Wage, Leann Barnes, Linda Burnett, Amy Barnes, and Booky Bryant (knoeling) make up Finalists in American Youth on Parade Championships 1991



Melanie Moodie, Age 11 Top 10 Finalist 1981 University Notre Dame Amer. Youth Talent Festivals. 2nd Runner up Miss Thanksgiving 1980, Top 10 Finalist Pom-Pom Girl of the Year. Runner-up World Nevice Flag & Solo Championships 1981.



Kelly McNamee 14, Joanne Pallotta, 13, featured in Who's Who in Baton Twirling 1981. National Dance Line World Champions Runner-up 1981 Duet Twirling Championships Finalist 1981 MA State Queen.



Kirstin Hurst 1st Runner-up Little Miss Easter. Top Ten Finalist World Novelty Dance competition 1981 Runner-up, 1981 Spring Queen.



Kerri Tymeson Age 8, former World Jazz Champion, Miss MA. LaPetite, Miss Majorette of MA., MA State Champion, Miss Petite Westfield Fair, Top Ten World Talent Festival Jazz and Novelty Divisions. Performed with the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus.

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Desmarais Awarded State Scholarship

Michael S. Desmarais of 476 Franklin Street Extension, Feeding Hills, has qualified for a 1981-82 Massachusetts Honor Scholarship from this Senatorial District. The awarding of this scholarship was determined on the basis of his results on the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board

Honor scholarships funding are applied to tuition, room, board, and other educational expenses to any state institution of higher learning to cover the freshman year completely and is renewable for the three succeeding undergraduate years providing a satisfactory academic average is sustained.

Desmarais is a 1981 graduate of Agawam High School and will attend Westfield State College this fall to major in Business Administration.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice R. Desmarais of the same address and has three sisters, Terry, Linda, and Donna Valenti.

Roberts Graduates BU's Sargent College

Leslie Roberts of 32 Leonard Street, Agawam, received a Bachelor of Science degree magna cum laude at the May graduation of Boston University's Sargent College of Allied Health.

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Roberts majored in occupational therapy.

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MAUREEN BRIERE, age 4, already is learning one of the traits that comes with growing up -talking on the phone. Maureen, we're told, is a personal friend of Advertiser/News photographer lack Devine.

Westfield State Activities

Westfield State College will offer over 140 evening classes in 22 academic fields in the upcoming fall semester at that institution. Classes are set to begin September 9th.

In person registration will be held Thursday, August 27th, from 2 to 4:30 and 6:30-8:30 in room 109 of Parenzo Hall.

A new major has been added this fall - Media Systems and Management. Two courses will be offered to begin this major program: Intro to Mass Communications and Mass Media in Society.

A new certificate program in writing is also being offered for the first time this fall. This program consists of six courses, each of which can be completed in five weekends of study scheduled for Friday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The entire six courses, if taken in sequence, can be

completed in one academic year.

The six courses offered in this writing program include Principles of Journalism, Business and Technical Writing, Graphic Design, Feature Writing,

Writing for Television, and a Writing Workshop.

The writing certificate program has been designed to sharpen the writing skills of anyone who uses writing extensively in his profession or career.

A certificate program in Computer Science will also be available through the Division of Continuing and Graduate Studies. A cluster of six computer science courses, each carrying three academic credits, will be

Four required courses include Computer Science I (FORTRAN programming), Computer Science II (PASCAL), Introduction to COBOL, and Assembly Language Programming (MIX, COMPASS, and PAL

Two elective courses may be selected to complete

the requirements for the certificate. All of these courses will be offered during the fall semester. In addition to this cer-

tificate program, Westfield State also offers a major program leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science.

A giant tag sale and bake sale, sponsored by the staff of Westfield State College, will be held on Saturday, August 29th, in front of Wilson Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The sale will benefit the fund drive for the college's Interfaith Center.

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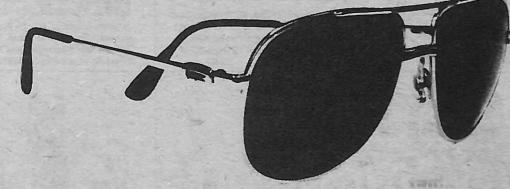
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And do it the sooner the better. It's just tragic how some people let these discomforts go on. Backache bravery simply adds to the problem when immediate and effective care is required.

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The contest is creative and the exhibit is spectacular it's "CraftsAdventure '81" scheduled in the New England Center on the Big E fairgrounds, West Springfield August 29th and 30th.

The event is sponsored by the Creative Crafts

Department of the Eastern States Exposition. Exhibit are: August 29th, 10 am to 8 pm and August 30, noon

General Admission is \$1 and contestants are admitted free. Information on group rates (15 or more persons) is available from the Big E's crafts office.

The competition includes a wide variety of categories in 11 classes, including several types of rugs such as traditional hooked, yarn hooked, braided, vestamayd and shirret; quilts, weaving; macrame and all types of embroidery. There are also separate divisions for instructors, non-instructors and juniors

Each entry must be a recently completed work handmade by the entrant. Judging is based on quality of workmanship, use of color and choice of materials to enchance the design, source and adaption of the design, plus originality and creativity.

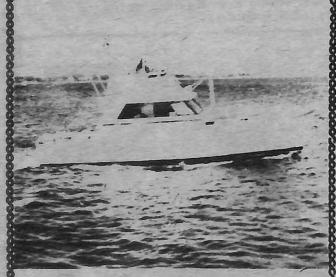
A private judging is scheduled August 27 with the public exhibit following on August 29-30. Winning entries will be displayed at this year's 60th annual Big

E, September 16-27. Also, in conjunction with the event, Storrowtown Village will feature a special exhibit called "Yesterday's Children" on both days and the Village Gift Shoppe will be open. In addition, on Sunday August 30 only, the Storrowtown Tea Garden will be open and an antiques flea market will be held beginning at 10 a.m. Lunch will be available at a snack bar located in the exhibit or at Storrowtown Tavern (closed Sun-

day).
The two-day event will include continous craft techniques and craft demonstrations of various craft techniques and craft supplies will be available from area dealers

In addition, many volunteers will donate their time and talents to help set up displays and serve as hostesses, according to Creative Crafts Director Helen Bardwell

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THE COURTHOUSE, the new racquetball club and health fitness facility in Feeding Hills Center, is coming right along, according to Ralph DePalma, one of the three principal partners in the facility. The outer walls are up, the roof isn't far from being erected, DePalma says. The COURTHOUSE membership includes use of the entire facility, both racquetball and all health-fitness related facilities. Memberships are now being sold for the club. Photo by Jack Devine.

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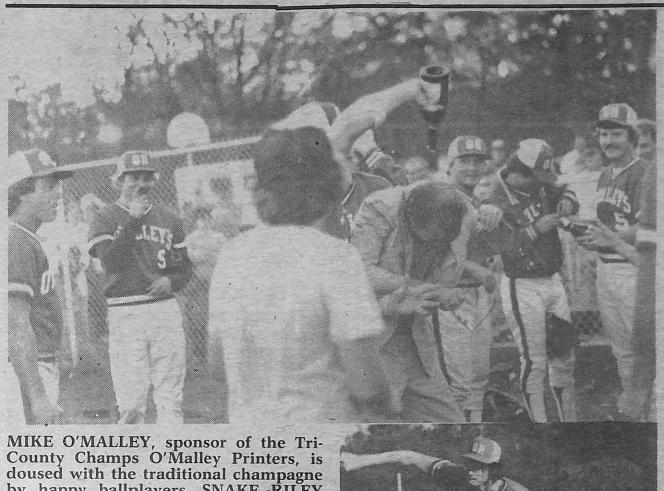
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SPORTS



MIKE O'MALLEY, sponsor of the Tri-County Champs O'Malley Printers, is doused with the traditional champagne by happy ballplayers. SNAKE RILEY (below) uncorks a fastball en route to the 6-0 victory that gave the locals the Tri-County crown. Photos by Jack Devine.

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O'Malley Kings!

By Charles J. Duclos

Through the baseball season O'Malley Printers chased the Chicopee Falls Tigers and ended in regulation play in second place. In the playoffs, however, O'Malley took the Tiger by the tail and swept the championship final and their first ever Tri-County crown.

Mike "Snake" Riley was masterful in a 6-0 victory that clinched the league title. Riley's performance, which included 11 strikeouts, three hits and one walk gave the locals a two game sweep over the defending champs as a delighted Shea's Field crowd looked8on.

Riley was a tough luck, 2-1 loser earlier in the playoffs against Union Auto Parts but was not to be denied in this one as he ho-hummed it through in just under two hours.

Chicopee's Steve Weaver and Riley were locked in a scoreless duel through the first four frames but he began to falter in the fifth inning as two Printers reached base before the rally died.

But in the sixth, the explosion came. O'Malley had a field day with the former Chicopee Comp hurler. Weaver tossed up a single to Lou Conte, who was then forced at second on Jeff LaBranche's sacrifice attempt.

LaBranche was forced at second by Jack Dougherty short bloop to right which fell but caught LaBranche hurrying for the bag. Then it came

hurrying for the bag. Then it came.

With two outs, Weaver hit Rick Mastroianni with a pitch. Dave Stefano ripped a single to center, scoring

Mastroianni, who had suffered a painful knee injury most of this season, had been replaced by pinchrunner Dave Sandillo, scored on another single by Mark Guindon.

Andy Paine sizzled a shot to center, plating Guindon and hard hitting John Plante brought Paine to third with a well placed double to left.

Joe Miller singled, bringing home two more elated

Joe Miller singled, bringing home two more elated Printers (Paine and Plante) and before the smoke cleared the locals led 6-0 and the rest was history. Just for good measure, Riley whiffed Jim Roy, Mike

Just for good measure, Riley whiffed Jim Roy, Mike Angelica and Dan Franczek in the top of the seventh to sweeten the pie and the celebration began.

SPLINTERS: Director of Music for the Agawam Public Schools, Darcy Davis, played a trumpet solo of our national anthem to open the final game at Shea's Field...Though Mike Riley's mother was going to have a nervous breakdown as she watched "Snake" snake his way from one inning to the next in the final...Sponsor Mike O'Malley received the traditional drenching with champagne as his team lifted him high on their shoulders at home plate after the victory...Jeff LaBranche, Mark Guindon, Dave Stefano and Rick Mastroianni all batted over .350 during the regular season and were among the top ten hitters in the league.

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Sportsmen Corner

By Bill Chiba

Charles Barry, commissioner of New Hampshire Fish & Game Department, predicts that bear should be plentiful this year. He is basing his prediction on the assumption that the number of bear sightings has increased twofold. Also, the shortened deer season of the past two years in the northern counties may have contributed to a bear population buildup since many bear are killed during the deer-hunting season.

This year hunters will have nearly three months in which to take bear. The season commences September 1 and runs through November 15 in the northern zone and Sept. 1 through Nov. 25 in the

southern zone. The limit is one bear.

The bear is becoming an increasingly important game animal in N.H. Last year, hunters came from North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Virginia as well as the other New England states. A total of 216 bear was killed. While about 94% are taken from the three northern counties, the bear is expanding its range and fair-sized population can be found in the western part of the state.

The bow and arrow season commences Sept. 15 this year. The pre-season license is only \$21 and season runs to November 12. If a bowhunter is successful and still wants to hunt for another deer during the regular season, he can purchase a regular hunting license and have a crack at either a buck or doe."

Piranhas Win

Union Meet

Honors In

I have been asked many time to explain the life cycle of the Atlantic salmon. Readers are confused sometimes trying to digest the place in order the different categories of the cycle of the "king of the freshwater fish.

The Connecticut River is 407 miles long and in early stages of our country, before 1814, salmon traversed the entire length of the stream. I doubt that this will ever happen again. However, due to the restoration program now in effect, half of the milage will be made available to the migrating fish.

Salmon (Atlantic) ascend cool fresh water streams to spawn, usually entering such streams from April through October. Spawning occurs in the late fall at water temperatures of 40-42 degrees F. Salmon eggs develop slowly and usually hatch in late April to early

The young fry remain in the stream for two years, developing from fry to parr to smolt stage. When they reach the smolt stage, nature steps in and they get the

The small salmon will remain at sea for two years; however, some will return in one year. At this stage of life, they are called grilse. The salmon that remains at sea for two years will return to the stream it was born

This year 515 adult salmon were captured in the Conn. River. It is hoped that within fifteen years there will be a run of salmon between 4,000 to 6,000 adults returning each year.

The Agawam Bowmen is hosting the MBBA State Championship Tournament September 5 and 6. President Bill Duncan is looking for members to help ready the range for the event. There will be work parties August 26 from 6 to 8 p.m.; August 29 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and September 2 from 6 to 9 p.m. There will be a special meeting the 26th after the work par-

Soccer Association Coaches Licensed

Twenty-one coaches in the Agawam Soccer Association successfully completed the Massachusetts State Coaching Course taught by the United States Soccer Federation at the Agawam Junior High School last

The course consisted of classroom training as well as vigorous practical instruction on the ball field. Topics included methods of coaching, fitness, ball gymnastics, conditioning games, team management, tactics and technique training.

Participating coaches were awarded the U.S.S.F. "F" license.

The real benefit from this program will go to the 800 youths who have registered to play in the fall soccer program here in town set to begin in early September.

Coaches for the ASA are volunteers, who devote from ten to forty hours per week to the program. Most are parents with children who play soccer for the association; others are individuals interested in giving youngsters a start in the sport.

The purpose of the Agawam Soccer Association is to provide an opportunity for young people to play the sport, regardless of age or ability. Both boys and girls, ages 5 to 16, may play.

Emphasis for younger players is put on development of skills, and for older players, on applying skills in competition.

The association has six teams fielded in the regional Pioneer Valley League where competition involves area cities and towns.

The ASA is a self-sufficient organization which relies on the small membership dues charged to each

The licensing of coaches underscores that the ASA is committed to providing the youth of Agawam with the best program of soccer possible.

MORE BENCH BITS - Thanks to my wife Joanna for supplying me with information about the

games and some of the more crucial plays this

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thanks to John and Marion Riley for keeping the

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to Mike O'Malley for sponsoring the squad, we

saw some great ball this summer...Coach Don Ir-

zyk did a fine job this season as did his brother,

Jim, who hurled two shutouts in the tough Union

Auto Parts semi-finals...Last of all, thanks to the woman who wrote "The Woman's Guide To

Spectator Sports." my Bible for the season.

Tri-County - From Page 20

Springfield YMCA

ed the addition of a Nautilus Fitness Center in its facility at 275 Chestnut Street, Springfield. The cost of this program will be \$80 for YMCA members.

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Anyone interested in more information on this program may contact Nancy Huber, Director of Health and Fitness for the YMCA.



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Members of the Agawam Athletic Association's Piranha Swim Club participated in the meet sponsored by the Springfield Morning Union last week and copped several top place honors. Paul Talbot, competing in the 15-18 age category,

took first place in both the 100-yard freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke events.

Brian Wesley in the 9-10 age division won firsts for both the 50-yard breaststroke and 50-yard

Jennifer Scalise in the 9-10 girls division took a first in the 50-yard backstroke and a second in the 50-yard

Patrick O'Brien in the boys 11-12 category won first place in the 50-yard backstroke and a fourth in the

Shawn O'Brien, competing in the 8-and-under division, won second place in the 25-yard novice freestyle.

Kevin Phillips in the 11-12 division took a third in the 50-yard breaststroke and a fifth in the 50-yard Krissy Phillips in the 9-10 division took a second in

the 50-yard breaststroke and a fourth in the 50-yard Michael Tassinari won second in the 9-10 division

50-yard backstroke and fourth in the 50-yard

Six-year-old Tony Tassinari, competing in the 8-and-under class, won first place in the 25-yard novice freestyle.

> Agawam Sportsmen's Club Corey Street. Agawam

Annual Turkey Shoot Sunday, September 6th 1:00 - 5:00 P.M. Prizes & Shotgun Shoot





THE POLISH AMERICAN CLUB recently captured the Agawam Softball Championship by defeating the Springfield Turnverein. Team members are, back row, from left, Assistant Coach Bill Sleich, Colleen Dalton, Leslie Clark, Laurie Clark, Robin Meissner, Gina Korney, Janet Dal Molin, Coach Karl Goehlert. Front row, Pam Koretz, Toni Veronesi, Lori Bereier, Karen Sleich and Judy Koretz, Missing from photo: Donna Cornelius, Donna Howard, Lee-Ann Mercadante, Gina Vignato and Linda Bryskiewicz. Photo by Jack Devine.

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The Polish American Club's women's softball team clinched undisputed championship finishing regular season play in the B Division with a 14-4 record.

The team went on to capture the division playoffs by winning all four games. The final test was against the team sponsored by the Springfield Turnverein, last year's champions in which the Polish Club women caught the Turners napping and took both games.

The Polish Club team would like to express appreciation to coach Karl Goehlert and assistant coach Bill Sliech for their expertise in leading the team to an awesome season total record of 20-4. They also wish to acknowledge the assistance Joe Bercier and David Trehey provided with base running and defensive awareness during the playoff games.

Hockey Sign-Ups & Skate Swap Scheduled

The Agawam Hockey Association will hold its Skate Swap and Sign-Ups at Sacred Heart Parish Center on Springfield Street on Sunday, August 30th. Skate swap will occur between 1 and 2 p.m. and sign-up from 2 to 4 p.m. An additional time for sign-up only will take place on Thursday, September 10, from 7 to 9 p.m.

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